

## Mercer Company Will Be a Redpath Chautauqua Feature



HARRY YEAZELLE MERCER.

On the third day of the coming Redpath Chautauqua the management offers an unusually interesting recital by the artists of the Mercer Company.

Harry Yeazelle Mercer, well-known tenor and feature artist of the company, possesses a voice of remarkable sweetness, clarity and power. His singing, whether in ballads or in operatic arias, displays intelligence, art and a sympathetic warmth that completely captures the hearts of his hearers.

## MINNESOTA'S CHALLENGE FOR A GREAT GOVT. SAVINGS CONTEST ACCEPTED BY STATE OF MICHIGAN

"Wolverines" Quickly Snap at Defi From the "Gophers," Promising to Run Up Larger Total Purchases of Uncle Sam's Savings Securities Than the Challengers—Count on Investment Sense of Their People to Prompt Buying of the Safe and Profitable Treasury Savings Certificates—Contest to Begin Aug. 1st and End Dec. 1st

### POSTMASTERS TO LEAD IN STATE-PRIDE FIGHT

Predicted That New \$25 Treasury Savings Certificates Will Be Bought by Thousands of the Rank and File of Michiganders on Lookout for Bargains—"Big Fellows" Expected to Take Larger Denominations—Government's Reward to Purchasers Very Attractive.

Michigan has accepted a challenge hurled at it by Minnesota for a government savings contest, to be begun August 1st and concluded December 1st. The postmasters of the two states will lead in the struggle, which each state believes it will win, and they now are arranging the plans preliminary to clearing the decks for action.

The Michigan postmasters are going to enlist the support of every man, woman and child in the "Wolverine State." They feel that the glory of the commonwealth is at stake and they will leave no stone unturned to build a structure of total purchases that will make that of the "Gophers" small in comparison. City folk and country folk alike will be expected to join the ranks fighting for victory, and with such support, the postmasters do not believe they can lose.

Government savings securities of all denominations will be urged for purchase, but the postmasters plan to "push" the new \$25 Treasury Savings Certificates for the rank and file of the population. This denomination is of convenient size and carries all the advantages of the larger denominations—\$100 and \$1,000. The "big fellows" are counted on to make the \$100 and \$1,000 Certificates, which will figure so strongly in swelling the total.

"The contest should prove of great value to our people," said one of the Michigan postmasters, who has been active in all the government's security-selling campaigns, "inasmuch as it will afford the people a fine opportunity to invest in absolutely safe securities which pay a fine profit. Many of our people have become regular purchasers of government savings securities, and the number who are buying the new \$25 Treasury Savings Certificates is rapidly on the increase. With the fruits of a big contest at stake, we believe that a very large number of our people will join the regular purchasers and aid materially in winning the blue ribbon.

"Minnesota made a fine record in wartime in the purchase of War Savings Stamps and she has taken a strong liking to the Treasury Savings Certificates of \$25, \$100 and \$1,000 denominations. Her farmers have done much to bolster up the fine showing the state has made, and they are counted on to aid materially in the

forthcoming contest. Workers in the industrial plants of Minnesota have been good buyers of the new \$1 Government Savings Stamps, taking them every week.

"A great many of our people," said another Michigan postmaster, "are convinced that for investment purposes the Treasury Savings Certificates represent everything safe and desirable. The fact that they are direct obligations of the government and are fully insured against loss of any kind is one of the big appealing considerations. Their exemption from all state, local and county taxes and from the normal income tax; the fact that they may be redeemed before maturity, in case of need, and the yield of 4 per cent interest compounded quarterly, if held till maturity January 1, 1923, also fit into the attractive plan.

"Our people can be counted on to roll up their sleeves with us in this contest. They know that the more the government is aided at this time the better things in general will be. The advantages which the Treasury Savings Certificates carry are in the nature of a government reward for thrift and the willingness to invest money with the government.

"Of course, our success in this contest depends upon the active co-operation of all classes of our population. Everybody must get in and help, and by helping us to win from Minnesota he will be helping to feather his own nest. Our postmasters have sufficient state pride to give their best and untiring efforts in this campaign, and we know that every one of them, from the smallest to the largest, will put in his best 'ticks'."

Indiana now is leading the Seventh Federal Reserve district states per capita in its purchases of government savings securities. Its purchases are averaging about 24 cents "per head," or as much as Illinois, New York and Connecticut combined. In the great wartime sale of War Savings Stamps Nebraska led the nation, Ohio running second and Iowa third. Since the opening of the campaign in December, 1917, to date the following approximate purchases of government savings securities have been made by the states of the Seventh district:

Illinois, \$75,000,000; Indiana, \$55,000,000; Iowa, \$45,000,000; Wisconsin, \$40,000,000; and Michigan, \$30,000,000.

### MR. VAUGHAN, FARMER, TELLS HOW HE LOST HIS PRIZE SEED CORN.

"Some time ago sent away for some pedigree seed corn. Put it in a gunny sack and hung it on a rope suspended from roof. Rats got it all—how beats me, but they did because I got five dead whoppers in the morning after trying RAT-SNAP."

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### KEEP OFF POLES

Because of the danger of injury, and the fact that many young lads in the city have been forming a habit of climbing telephone poles, a warning has been given to young boys to refrain from the practice. A little slip when climbing one of these poles means a fall and probably an injury. At best the habit of climbing these poles is a foolhardy one.

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## THE SON OF TARZAN

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A moment later the two had mounted and were moving slowly across the moon-bathed plain.

Their horses were pressed side by side. Baynes was pressing Meriem's hand as he poured words of love into her ear, and Meriem was listening.

"Come to London with me," urged the Hon. Morison. "I can gather a safari, and we can be a whole day upon the way to the coast before they guess that we have eloped."

"Why must we go that way?" asked the girl. "Bwana and My Dear would not object to our marriage."

"I cannot marry you just yet," explained the Hon. Morison. "I must inform my people, and there are other formalities to be attended to first. You do not understand. It will be all right. We will go to London. I cannot wait. If you love me you will come."

"You love me?" she asked. "You will marry me when we have reached London?"

"I swear it," he cried.

"I will go with you," she whispered, "though I do not understand why delay is necessary." She leaned toward him, and he took her in his arms and bent to press his lips to hers.

At the bungalow Bwana had met the returning adventurers on the veranda. Returning from the foreman's quarters, Bwana had noticed that the coral gate was open, and further investigation revealed the fact that Meriem's pony was gone and also the one most often used by Baynes.

Explanations on the part of the Englishman met with a rather chilly reception from his host. Meriem was silent. She saw that Bwana was angry with her. It was the first time, and she was heartbroken.

"Go to your room, Meriem," he said. "And, Baynes, if you will step into my study I'd like to have a word with you in a moment."

Bwana saw Hanson in the garden and called him to the veranda.

Hanson paused. Both men were silent for a time. Presently the trader coughed in an embarrassed manner, as



"I Will Go With You," She Whispered.

though there was something on his mind he felt in duty bound to say, but hated to.

"What is it, Hanson?" asked Bwana. "You were about to say something, weren't you?"

"Well, you see, it's like this," ventured Hanson. "Been around here evenings a good deal I've seen them two together a lot, and beggin' your pardon, sir, but I don't think Mr. Baynes means the girl any good. I've overheard enough to make me think he's tryin' to get her to run off with him."

Hanson, to fit his own ends, hit nearer the truth than he knew. He was afraid that Baynes would interfere with his own plans, and he had hit upon a scheme both to utilize the young Englishman and get rid of him at the same time.

"And I thought," continued the trader, "that, inasmuch as I'm about due to move, you might like to suggest to Mr. Baynes that he go with me. I'd be willin' to take him north to the caravan trails as a favor to you, sir."

Bwana stood in deep thought for a moment. Presently he looked up.

"Of course, Hanson, Mr. Baynes is my guest," he said, a grim twinkle in his eye. "Really I cannot accuse him of planning to run away with Meriem on the evidence that we have, and as he is my guest I should hate to be so discourteous as to ask him to leave. But if I recall his words correctly it seems to me that he has spoken of returning home, and I am sure that nothing would delight him more than going north with you. You say you start tomorrow? I think Mr. Baynes will accompany you."

"Drop over in the morning, if you please, and now good night, and thank you for keeping a watchful eye on Meriem."

Hanson hid a grin as he turned and sought his saddle. Bwana stepped from the veranda to his study, where he found the Hon. Morison pacing back and forth, evidently very ill at ease.

"Baynes," said Bwana, coming directly to the point, "Hanson is leaving for the north tomorrow. He has taken a great fancy to you and just asked me to say to you that he'd be glad to have you accompany him. Good night, Baynes!"

At Bwana's suggestion Meriem kept in her room the following morning until after the Hon. Morison Baynes had departed. Hanson had come for him early—in fact, he had remained all night with the foreman, Jervis, that he might get an early start.

The farewell exchanges between the Hon. Morison and his host were of the most formal type, and when at last the guest rode away Bwana breathed a sigh of relief. It had been an unpleasant duty, and he was glad that

It was over, but he did not regret his action.

He did not mention the subject again to Meriem, and in this he made a mistake, for the young girl, while realizing the debt of gratitude she owed Bwana and My Dear, was both proud and sensitive, so that Bwana's action in sending Baynes away and giving her no opportunity to explain or defend him hurt and mortified her. Also it did much toward making a martyr of Baynes in her eyes and arousing in her breast a keen feeling of loyalty toward him.

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### Train Exhibits to Hit Dairy Problems

How other phases of farming affect the dairy industry will be graphically set forth in the exhibits of the farm crops, soils and farm mechanics departments of M. A. C. along with those of the dairy husbandry and dairy manufacturing departments in the "better sire train" which will tour 25 Michigan counties in August under the joint auspices of the college, the Michigan Holstein-Friesian association, railroads and other state agricultural organizations.

The soils department will show the results of using lime, green manures and commercial plant foods in obtaining successful stands of alfalfa and sweet clover, featuring their value as dairy feeds and soil builders. Cultural methods of these same crops will be outlined in the crops exhibit and special emphasis will be placed on sweet clover as a pasture and hay crop for the dairy farm.

A building plan for dairy farm buildings will be shown by the farm mechanics department. The exhibit will also contain ventilating plans for dairy barns, and models of a wooden hoop silo, bull yard and breeding crate. A farm lighting plant will be included to furnish power and light on the train.

Feeds and rations will feature the dairy husbandry exhibit, while the dairy manufacturing department will display apparatus for cooling and handling milk on the farm and charts showing the value of grade cream in producing high quality butter.

Several famous dairy animals will be included in the car of demonstration cattle, among them Johanna Mutual Girl, grand champion at the state fair last year, and College Butter Boy, first prize bull in his class at the 1920 state fair. There will also be one cow representing the average for Michigan.

### Beating the Bachelor.

In Sicily the fir tree is unknown as a Christmas adjunct, but the very ludicrous custom of "beating the bachelor" is observed by the women. All of the unmarried men in the village are driven into the church after mass by the outnumbering women and run about the sacred edifice and beaten until they declare (often falsely) that they will wed ere another Christmas come around.

### Farmers As One on Legislative Needs

The membership of the American Farm Bureau has completely endorsed the agricultural legislative program of 16 points, recently outlined to 1,052,000 farm bureau members in a questionnaire going to 1,473 county farm bureaus in 47 states, says the Michigan state farm bureau. The vote of confidence declared about ten to one for positive action on the 16 questions - of national importance, were overwhelmingly favored.

Berrien, Barry and Cheboygan, first Michigan counties to report, were unanimously in favor of such action. Questions asked involved farm finance, taxation, transportation and important general problems. Livestock financing, based on adequate pledge of animals and food, the truth-in-fabrics legislation, the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence waterway, retention of the Excess Profits Tax, abolition of tax free securities system, opposition to a general sales tax, and legislation for cooperative marketing were overwhelmingly favored.

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